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The report of the Fisheries Committee and its recommendations.

* 266 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased—

(*a*) to place before the Council the report of the Fisheries Committee and its recommendations; and

(*b*) to state the orders passed thereon?

A.—(*a*) The report was received a few days back. Twelve copies of the report will shortly be placed in the Council Library for the use of the hon. Members.

(*b*) The report is under consideration.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" With reference to answer (*a*), may I know why only twelve copies will be placed in the Council Library, why all the Members of the Council will not be supplied, and why it will not be placed on the Editors' Table?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" The report has not been scrutinized by the Government. To enable Members to peruse the report, twelve copies will be placed in the Council Library now; as soon as the Government pass orders, the report will be placed at the disposal of the Press."

Industries

Rules regarding aid under the State Aid to Industries Act.

* 267 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether rules have been framed in regard to the giving of aid to cottage industries under the State Aid to Industries Act; and

(*b*) if so, whether he will be pleased to place them on the table of the House?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The rules were placed on the table of the House in March last.

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know whether the definition of the words 'cottage industries' is under the consideration of the Government?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :— " The matter will be looked into by the committee proposed to be appointed "

Recommendations of the Conference on Textile Industry.

* 268 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the recommendations of the conference to enquire into the textile industry in the Presidency are;

(*b*) whether there is any recommendation regarding hand-spinning and if so, what it is; and

(*c*) whether he proposes to order the investigation of the industry of hand-spinning in all its aspects, including its possibilities as a supplementary avocation for the ryot?